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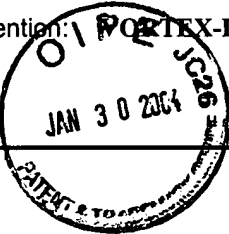

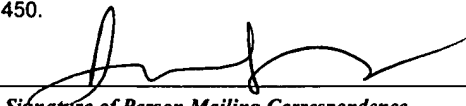
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Serial No. 09/808,299	Filing Date March 14, 2001	Examiner SINGH, Sunil	Group Art Unit 3673		
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App. No.: 09/808,299

Applicants: Qi Xu et al.

Filed: March 14, 2001

5 Title: VORTEX-INDUCED VIBRATION REDUCTION
DEVICE FOR FLUID IMMERSSED CYLINDERS

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15 **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

This Preliminary Amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination filed
herewith under 27 CFR 1.114.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

20 **Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

25 A Request for a One-Month Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is submitted
herewith, along with the fee prescribed by 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1).